in the event there is an existing transcript that these rates shall not apply?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: I don't think there is any reference to that at all.

SENATOR MURPHY: I don't either.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: And I don't think there need be because it's when they ask for a transcript that they do this. This is the only way they do it.

SENATOR MURPHY: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I think this has been covered very well. The one thing that has not been said is that the court reporter must certify that this is an accurate copy of the proceedings so we are also paying for that ability, not fust anyone can come up to this quality. These are very stiff requirements so the persons who do qualify certainly have a great deal of ability, and it is for this ability to transcribe for which we are paying.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask Senator Luedtke, who seems to be the authority on this, Senator Luedtke, I believe I heard in there somewhere the count reporters were paid in the vicinity of \$14,000, \$16,000.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: That is right. I think.

SENATOR KEYES: Now are they supposed to transcribe these reports or are they supposed to wait until some individual comes in and then they transcribe them, and if they are transcribing them and going to get paid so much a word, does that come out of their salary or what is their salary for then?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Their salary is for sitting in the court room day by day, hour by hour, in agonizing reporting, taking down the notes of the proceedings.

SENATOR KEYES: Okay, that is very fine. Now, then T are to understand that after their eight hours of working for the salary that they get, this is above and beyond that, something that they do at night or at home or something else, not something that they do while they are on the job being paid to do their job?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: No matter what, this has been the law all along, than when a transcript is requested, they get paid for it. This has always....

SENATOR KEYES: Even during the eight hours that they are being paid otherwise, huh?

SPEAKER LYEDTKE: Hours are meaningless. It is the job that has to be done. This isn't an eight hour, bunch a clock, and come in type situation. They're on duty until they get their job done and sometimes, you know, trials